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RCL Newsletter

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It's time to curl into a new season! A message from our President, Mark Field

Welcome back curlers! After a busy summer, I'm looking forward to our first round of games. Some of our members have been on the ice already this season, representing Riverdale at bonspiels in Oakville and St. John's.

Your executive has been busy planning for the year ahead, and we'll be reaching out to ensure we're working on what matters to you. We're always looking for additional volunteers to help with projects, bonspiels, and fundraising, so if you're willing to contribute, please reach out to someone on the executive committee.

New this year is the no-tick rule! It's up to the skip of the throwing team to seek agreement about whether a free guard is on the centre line or not. It's then up to the non-offending skip to decide whether all of the moved stones get replaced when a rock is pushed off the centre line, or to leave them where they stop.

If you're unsure about something, we're here to help. **You can reach us at riverdale@pridecurl.ca.**

See you on the ice, and have fun out there!

CANADIAN PRIDE CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

PLAYDOWNS REGISTRATION

Registration for Playdowns for the Canadian Pride Curling Championships (CPCC) is now open. Please send an email to external@pridecurl.ca if you want to register. **Registration closes October 27, 2024**, and further information on entry fee and exact schedule will be provided to participants shortly thereafter.

Please note that the 2025 CPCC, to be held in Edmonton April 3-6, 2025, will occur on the same weekend as Riverdale's league playoffs.

NAMETAGS FOR NEW MEMBERS!

If you're interested in ordering a nametag, please fill out the form linked below. You can customize it with your last name, initials, and/or pronouns.



Please note that nametags are available for new members or returning members who have not yet ordered one. Returning members who wish to replace a lost name will need to pay a \$10 replacement fee.

MEMBER RESOURCES

Our website hosts a variety of resources just for you! Check out the Orientation Guide for new players, Information for Skips, the new Code of Conduct, and info about upcoming other LGBTQ2S+ Curling league bonspiels happening across the country! Explore and stay informed!

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OCTOBER IS



BIG JIB DRAW BONSPIEL

Riverdale curlers enjoyed a successful Big Jib Draw in St. John’s, Newfoundland. Riverdale played on nine different teams, **five** of which made it to the finals! Rink Flamingos (Hayward) finished highest as runners-up in A Division, while Eye’s Da By’s (Serrick) snatched the Climax Award for best outfits!



SPONSORSHIP GURU NEEDED!

Do you have experience or interest in sponsorships? We’re looking for someone to help us secure sponsorships for upcoming events. If you’re interested or have any experience, please email the exec: riverdale@pridecurl.ca

VERS LIKES TO FLIP....FLOP

RCL members were representing at this year’s **Rainbowlers Flip Flop** lawn bowling tourney held at the Cosburn Lawn Club.



The big winners were **Jerome Nguyen** and **Jay Wilson**. The lawn bowling season is coming to an end but they will be back up and running next May. If you’d like more info about Rainbowlers, seek out league President **Kyle Knoeck** who plays for Team Sangster.

THE PASSING OF AN ACTOR’S ACTOR



The last few weeks have seen the passing of a number of pop culture legends - actor **James Earl Jones** (voice of Darth Vader); musician **Kris Kristofferson** (Babs’ favourite leading man); and talk show host **Phil Donahue** but nothing can top the death of thespian **Maggie Smith**. In a career that spanned more than 7 decades, her film roles ran the gamut from comedy to drama to musicals. They included schoolteacher Jean Brodie for which she won a best actress Oscar; Professor McGonagall from the Harry Potter series; Mother Superior in the Sister Act films; and of course, her iconic portrayal of Violet Crawley, the Dowager Countess from Downton Abbey.

CELEBRATE LGBT HISTORY MONTH BY SCREENING THESE CINEMA CLASSICS

1. **Boys in the Band** (1969) - available on You Tube
2. **Moonlight** (2016)
3. **Boys Don’t Cry** (1999)
4. **Tangerine** (2015)
5. **Hedwig and the Angry Inch** (2001)

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT COTTAGE CHEESE?



Are you living for cottage cheese? If not, you should be. According to nutritionists, cottage cheese is very high in protein and low in fat and has become a go to super food for many athletes.

Well, that’s a wrap on our first newsletter of the season. If you have anything you’d like league members to know about like an upcoming event you want to promote, some curling equipment you’d like to sell or some hot gossip you’re dying to spill, the RCL newsletter is here to help. Have fun on the ice. No curling next Sunday but we will be back in 2 weeks.

- Patrick and Howard

Questions? Email us at media-relations@pridecurl.ca